

General excerpt 3: Katherine, Jack, Davey, Crutchie

Context: Katherine shows her independence and feistiness when Jack makes several blatantly sexist observations.

KATHERINE

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The only thing I'm following is a story. A rag-tag gang of ragamuffins wants to take on the kingmakers of New York. Think you have a chance?

JACK

Shouldn't you be at the ballet?

KATHERINE

Question too difficult? I'll rephrase: will the richest and most powerful men in New York give the time of day to a gang of kids who haven't got a nickel to their name?

CRUTCHIE

You don't gotta be insultin'. I got a nickel.

KATHERINE

So I guess you'd say you're a couple of Davids looking to take on Goliath?

DAVEY

We never said that.

KATHERINE

You didn't have to. I did.

JACK

I seen a lot of papes in my time and I ain't never noted no girl reporters writing hard news.

KATHERINE

Wake up to the new century. The game's changing. How about an exclusive interview?

JACK

Ain't your beat entertainment?

KATHERINE

This is entertaining... so far.

JACK

What's the last news story you wrote?

KATHERINE

What's the last strike you organized?

CRUTCHIE

You really think we could be in the papes?

KATHERINE

Shut down a paper like the *World* and you're going to make the front page.

JACK

You want a story? Be in front of the circulation gate tomorrow morning and you'll get one. And bring a camera. You're gonna wanna snap a picture of dis.